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SUBJECT: PROPOSED DIPLOMATIC NOTE ON DETAINEE ABDELRAHAM

AL-BATHALI

REF: A. KUWAIT 245

¶B. KUWAIT 215

1C. 04 STATE 274686

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- 11. (U) This is an action request. See paragraph 3.
- $\underline{\ }$ 12. (U) Post continues to receive requests from the Government of Kuwait for information on the status of Kuwaiti nationals detained in Iraq. Post seeks approval to deliver the below diplomatic note to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Saturday, January 29, 2005.
- $\P 3.$ (U) Action requested: If there are any objections to releasing the information provided below, per refs a and b, Post requests that Department provide alternate language that can be delivered to the GOK ASAP. End Action Request.
- 14. (S/REL Kuwait) Begin Text of Diplomatic Note: The Embassy of the United States of America presents if compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait, and in response to its note 20041331 dated June 20, 2004, has the honor to provide the following information on the status of Kuwaiti nationals detained in Iraq.

Abdelraham Al-Bathali, also known as Abdul Raham Mubarak Mishkis, is currently detained in Iraq. He was captured by coalition forces on January 28, 2004 for illegal border crossing and subsequently admitted to traveling to Iraq to wage jihad. He remains in custody at Camp Bucca near Umm Qasr, Iraq because he is considered a threat to coalition forces in Iraq. While in detention, he has been visited by the International Committee of the Red Cross and he has also been permitted to telephone his family on occasion.

Two other men who identify themselves as Kuwaiti nationals are being detained in Camp Bucca. They are Aamer Mahmoud Hamza Younis, captured February 24, 2004 in Al Radwaniya, and Ali Awad Faraj Farjee Al-Harbi, captured December 5, 2004 in Fallujah.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the States of Kuwait the assurances of its highest consideration.

End Text of Note. LEBARON